

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: ANDO, Koji, et al.

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Sir:

The undersigned attorney requests the status of the above-identified application.

A Notice To File Missing Parts of Application dated March 29, 2004 was received, and a

Response was filed on April 13, 2004. To date no Office Action has been received.

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Respectfully submitted,

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